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☐ Extension of Time Request

☐ Express Abandonment Request

☐ Information Disclosure Statement

☐ PTO/SB/08

☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

☐ Response to Missing Parts/  
Incomplete Application

☐ Basic Filing Fee

☐ Declaration/POA

☐ Response to Missing  
Parts under 37 CFR  
1.52 or 1.53

☐ Drawing(s)

☐ Licensing-related Papers

☐ Petition

☐ Petition to Convert a  
Provisional Application

☐ Power of Attorney, Revocation  
Change of Correspondence Address

☐ Terminal Disclaimer

☐ Request for Refund

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to Group

☐ Appeal Communication to Board  
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Remarks

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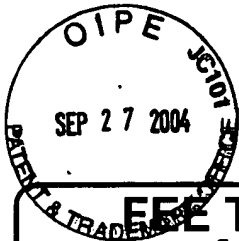
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |                        |          |
| 1001         | 770      | 2001         | 385      | Utility filing fee     |          |
| 1002         | 340      | 2002         | 170      | Design filing fee      |          |
| 1003         | 530      | 2003         | 265      | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 1004         | 770      | 2004         | 385      | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 1005         | 160      | 2005         | 80       | Provisional filing fee |          |
| SUBTOTAL (1) |          |              |          |                        | (\$)     |

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims 42 - 80\* = 0 x 18.00 = \$0.00  
Independent Claims 3 - 4\* = 0 x 86.00 = \$0.00  
Multiple Dependent

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description   | Fee Paid  |
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| 1202         | 18       | 2202         | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                    |           |
| 1201         | 86       | 2201         | 43       | Independent claims in excess of 3                         |           |
| 1203         | 290      | 2203         | 145      | Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid                     |           |
| 1204         | 86       | 2204         | 43       | **Reissue independent claims over original patent         |           |
| 1205         | 18       | 2205         | 9        | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |           |
| SUBTOTAL (2) |          |              |          |   | (\$) 0.00 |

\*or number previously paid, if greater, For Reissues, see below

## FEE CALCULATION (continued) SEP 29

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|----------|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |  |          |
| 1051         | 130      | 2051         | 65       | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 1052         | 50       | 2052         | 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.                    |          |
| 2053         | 130      | 2053         | 130      | Non-English specification  |          |
| 1812         | 2,520    | 1812         | 2,520    | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination                            |          |
| 1804         | 920 *    | 1804         | 920 *    | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 1805         | 1,840 *  | 1805         | 1,840 *  | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 1251         | 110      | 2251         | 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 1252         | 420      | 2252         | 210      | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253         | 950      | 2253         | 475      | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254         | 1,480    | 2254         | 740      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255         | 2,010    | 2255         | 1,005    | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1404         | 330      | 2401         | 165      | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 1402         | 330      | 2402         | 165      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403         | 290      | 2403         | 145      | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 1451         | 1,510    | 2451         | 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452         | 110      | 2452         | 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453         | 1,330    | 2453         | 665      | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 1501         | 1,330    | 2501         | 665      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 1502         | 480      | 2502         | 240      | Design issue fee   |          |
| 1503         | 640      | 2503         | 320      | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 1460         | 130      | 2460         | 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 1807         | 50       | 1807         | 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
| 1806         | 180      | 1806         | 180      | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 8021         | 40       | 8021         | 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809         | 770      | 1809         | 385      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 1810         | 770      | 2810         | 385      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 1801         | 770      | 2801         | 385      | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 1802         | 900      | 1802         | 900      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

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\* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

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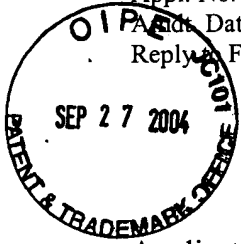
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.